

D.T.E. 03-5

Review by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, pursuant to G.L. c. 25, § 19 and G.L. c. 25A, § 11G, of Western Massachusetts Electric Company's 1998, 1999 and 2000 Demand-Side Management Performance Measurement Reports

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

Western Massachusetts Electric Company ("WMECo" or "Company") has filed with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") Demand-Side Management Performance Reports for the years 1998, 1999 and 2000 ("Reports"). The Reports use quantitative analyses to assess energy and capacity savings resulting from the implementation of the Company's Energy Efficiency Plans, approved by the Department in Western Massachusetts Electric Company, D.P.U. 97-106 (1998) and Western Massachusetts Electric Company, D.T.E. 00-79 (2001). The Department is required to review and approve energy efficiency expenditures after determining that the implementation of such programs was cost-effective. G.L. c. 25, § 19, G.L. c. 25A, § 11G.

A copy of the Reports are on file at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts for public view during business hours. Copies are also on file for public view at Western Massachusetts Electric Company, 179 Brush Hill Avenue, West Springfield, Massachusetts. Any person desiring further information regarding the Companies' filing should contact counsel for the Company, Stephen Klionsky, Esq., at (617) 748-5140. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Michael Killion, Hearing Officer, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, at (617) 305-3500.

Any person who wishes to submit written comments may do so by filing an original and four (4) copies of such comments with: Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, no later than the close of business March 17, 2003. One copy must also be sent to Stephen Klionsky, Esq., 101 Federal Street, 13th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110.

Any person seeking to intervene in this proceeding must file an original and five (5) copies of a written petition for leave to intervene or to participate in this proceeding no later than close of business (5:00 p.m.) March 10, 2003 with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110.

A petition to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 C.M.R. § 1.03. Receipt by the Department – not mailing – constitutes filing and determines whether a petition is timely filed. A late-filed petition may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for waiver. To be allowed, a petition under 220 C.M.R. § 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, § 10.

All written pleadings or comments must also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us ; or (2) on a 3.5" floppy diskette, IBM-compatible format. The text of the e-mail or the diskette label must specify: (1) an easily identifiable case caption; (2) docket number; (3) name of the person or company filing; and (4) a brief descriptive title or document (e.g., comments or petition to intervene). The electronic filing should also include the name, title, and phone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be written in either Word Perfect (naming the document with a “.wpd” suffix) or in Microsoft Word, (naming the document with a “.doc” suffix). Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. Documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department’s Website, <http://www.mass.gov/dpu> .

By Order of the Department,

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary